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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A request for a one-month extension of time is made to extend the period of timely response from March 4, 2004 to April 4, 2004 (Sunday). This paper, being filed the next business day, is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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